



Brookline Remembers

MEMORIAL DAY

MAY 30, 2011



**Memorial
Day**

*Never Forget
Ever Honor*



MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

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COORDINATED WITH
THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES, WILLIAM T. MCGROARTY, DIRECTOR;
AMERICAN LEGION POST 11, DR. RON NASIF, COMMANDER; VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
COMMANDER, ROBERT MURPHY;
AND THE BROOKLINE ALLIED VETERANS

OFFICER OF THE DAY

ROBERT MURPHY, COMMANDER, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, STEPHEN F. RUTLEDGE POST

SERGEANT AT ARMS

HERBERT TAYMOR, FINANCE OFFICER-AMERICAN LEGION POST 11,
PAST JR. VICE-COMMANDER, VFW POST 864

GUEST SPEAKER

MICHAEL SHEPARD
BUILDING COMMISSIONER, TOWN OF BROOKLINE

PARTICIPANTS

AMERICAN LEGION POST 11

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, STEPHEN F. RUTLEDGE POST 864

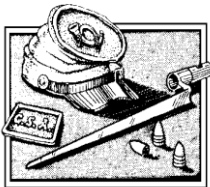
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

WORLD WAR ONE BARRACKS 2342
(IN MEMORIAM)

JEWISH/AMERICAN WAR VETERANS POST

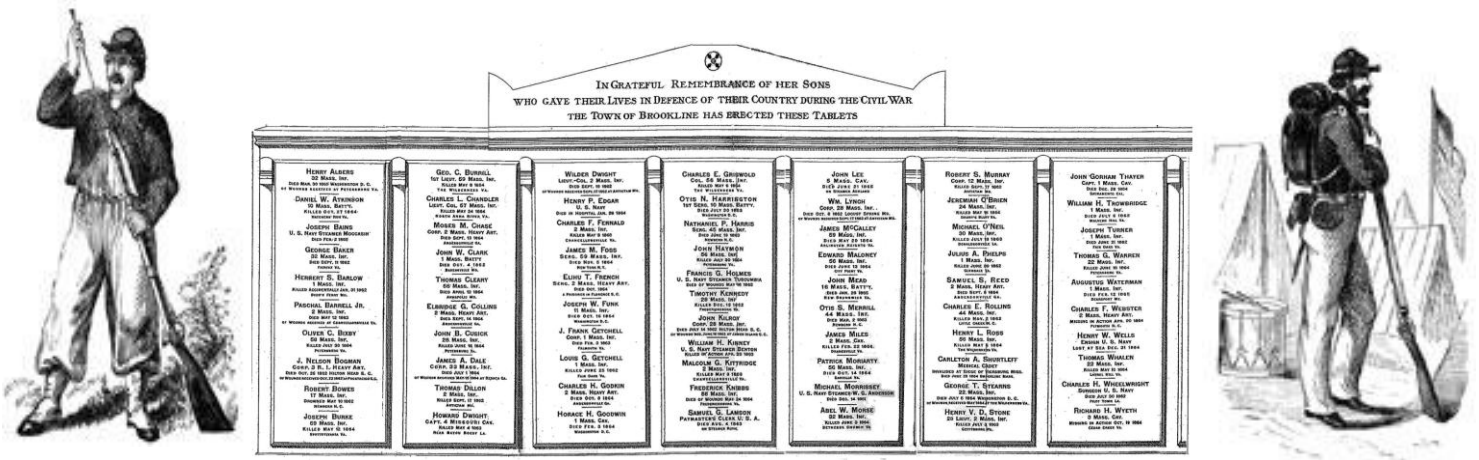
HONOR GUARD/FIRING SQUAD - COMPOSED OF MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND VETERANS
OF FOREIGN WARS-STEPHEN F. RUTLEDGE POST 864/BROOKLINE
POLICE DEPARTMENT/BROOKLINE FIRE DEPARTMENT/BRIGHTON
HIGH SCHOOL JROTC, JEWISH/AMERICAN WAR VETERANS

Bus departs from Veterans' Post at 8:00 A.M. to Walnut Hills Cemetery, and travels
to the Walnut Street Cemetery, and will return to the World War Monument in
front of Town Hall at 11:00 A.M. for the concluding ceremonies.



*The dead soldier's silence sings our national anthem. - Memorial Day Quotes by Rev. **Aaron Kilbourn***

PROGRAM AT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC MONUMENT



INVOCATION

The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus,
First Parish Church, Brookline

TRIBUTE TO THE G.A.R.

The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus,
First Parish Church, Brookline

LAYING OF WREATH

Presented by Arthur Hurley,
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Stephen F. Rutledge Post

MUSICAL SELECTION

Amanda Cavanaugh



Heroism is latent in every human soul - However humble or unknown, they (the veterans) have renounced what are accounted pleasures and cheerfully undertaken all the self-denials - privations, toils, dangers, sufferings, sicknesses, mutilations, life-long hurts and losses, death itself - for some great good, dimly seen but dearly held.

Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain



PROGRAM AT WALNUT HILLS CEMETERY VETERANS' LOT



CONDUCTED BY

Dr. Ron Nasif, Commander-American Legion Post 11

RED BASKET

Allen Macpherson, Member, Veterans of Foreign Wars,
Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

WHITE BASKET

Jack McCarthy, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

BLUE BASKET

Jack Flannery, Member Veterans of Foreign Wars, Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864,
Member American Legion Post 11

**FIRING SQUAD/
HONOR GUARD**

Composed of Members of the American Legion and
Veterans of Foreign Wars-Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864
Brookline Police Department, Brookline Fire Department
Brighton High School JROTC



TAPS AND ECHO

Brighton High School JROTC



*As I approach the gates of heaven; St. Peter I will tell;
One more soldier reporting sir; I've served my time in hell. - Memorial Day Quotes by **Mark Anthony Gresswell***

PROGRAM AT BROOKLINE REVOLUTIONARY CEMETERY

WELCOME BY

Frances Greenleaf Hill,
State Chairman of National Defense, DAR

PLACING OF WREATH

Emily Farnsworth, Regent
Hannah Goddard Chapter, DAR

Frances Greenleaf Hill,
State Chairman of National Defense, DAR

Dianne Laffey, Member
Hannah Goddard Chapter, DAR



SPEAKER

The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus, First
Parish Church, Brookline

HONOR GUARD/FIRING SQUAD

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Brookline Police Department/Brookline Fire Department/Brighton High School
JROTC

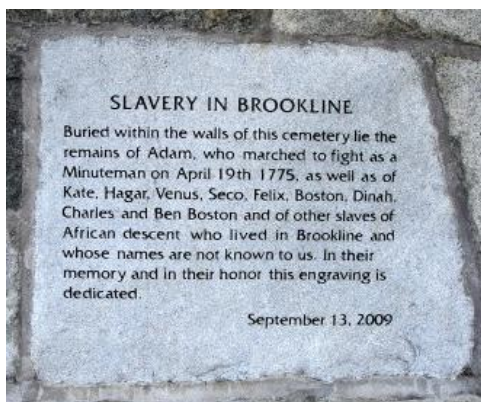


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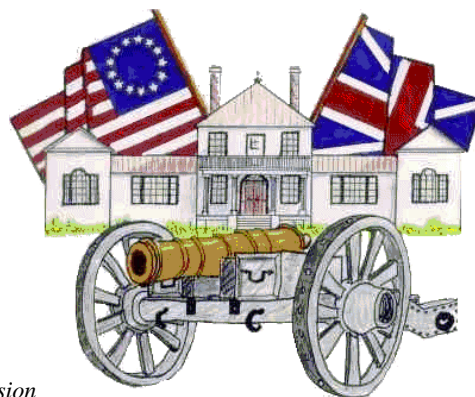
Amanda Cavanaugh

TAPS AND ECHO

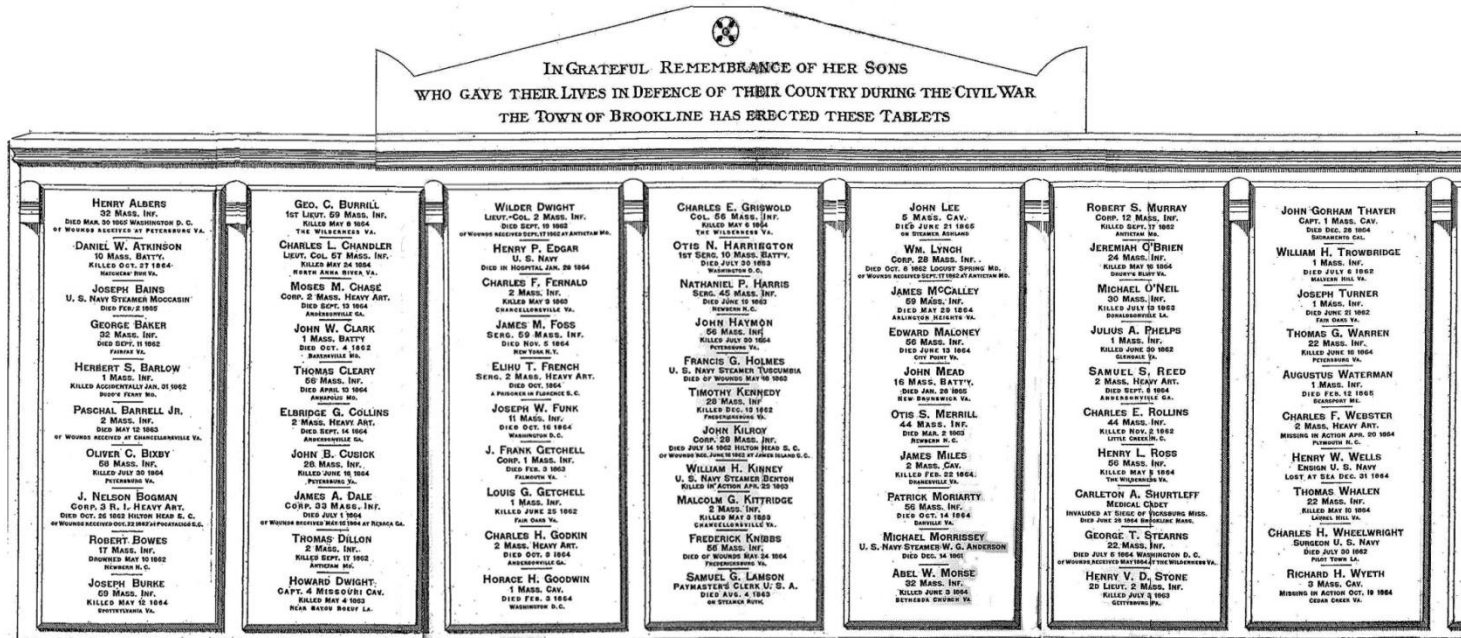
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864;
American Legion Post 11; Brookline Police Department;
Brookline Fire Department; Brighton High School JROTC



*Thanks to the Human Relations / Youth Resources Commission
Hidden Brookline Committee*



*The story of America's quest for freedom is inscribed on her history in the blood of her patriots.
- Memorial Day Quotes by **Randy Vader***



PROGRAM AT TOWN HALL and CIVIL WAR TABLETS REDEDICATION

AMAZING GRACE

PALS Children's Chorus

**GREETINGS & INTRODUCTION
OF OFFICER OF THE DAY**

Robert Murphy, Commander, Veterans of
Foreign Wars, Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

CONDUCTED BY

Bill McGroarty, Director-Department of Veterans' Services

INVOCATION

The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus, First
Parish Church, Brookline

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Ron Nasif, Commander- American Legion Post 11

**MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR
DECEASED MEMBERS**

AMERICAN LEGION

Herbert Taymor, Finance Officer, American Legion Post 11;
Past Jr. Vice-Commander, VFW Post 864

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Jack McCarthy, Member-Veterans of Foreign Wars,
Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

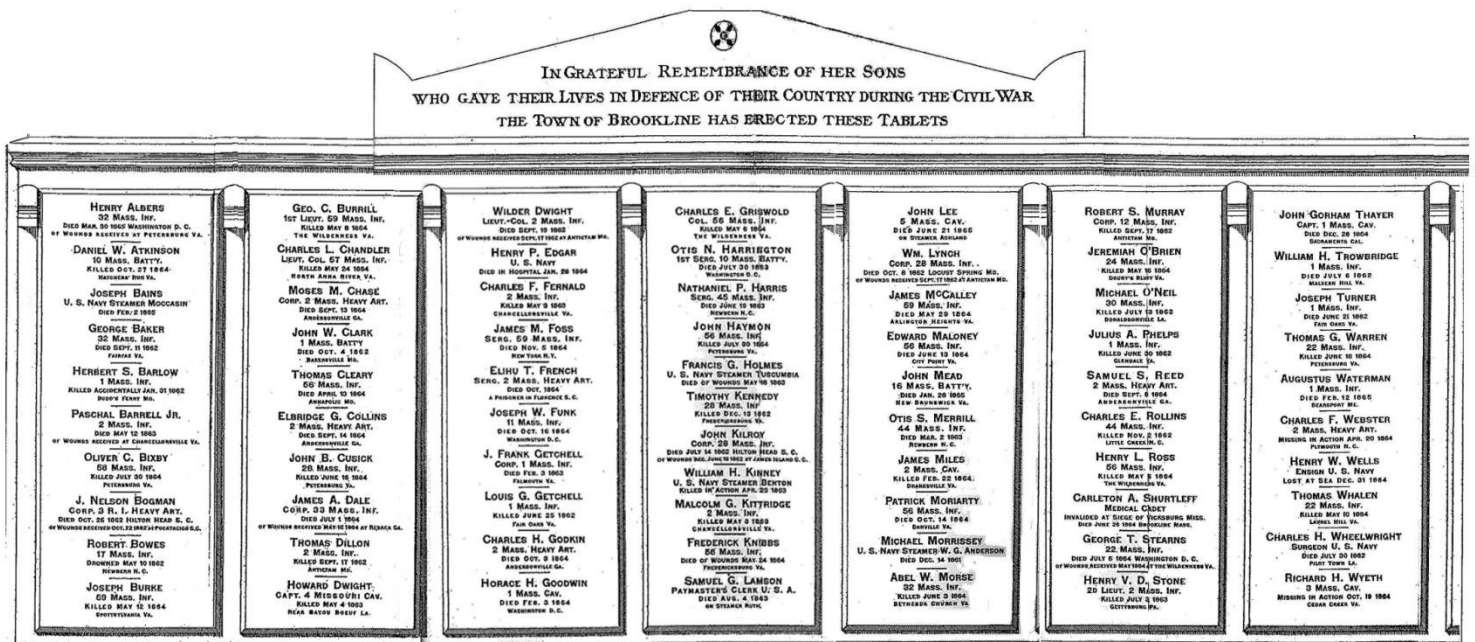
NATIONAL ANTHEM

Kristin DeFosse

It is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died. Rather we should thank God that such men lived.
— - *Memorial Day Quotes by General George S. Patton*



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INTRODUCTION OF DIGNITARIES

Bill McGroarty, Director-Department of Veterans' Services

GREETINGS FROM THE TOWN

Betsy DeWitt, Chairman-Board of Selectmen

SIMPLE GIFTS

PALS Children's Chorus

MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION

The Honorable Frank I. Smizik, House of Representatives,
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

MUSICAL SELECTION

Amanda Cavanaugh

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Richard Benka, Member-Board of Selectmen

READING OF GENERAL LOGAN'S ORDERS

Herbert Taymor, Member, Past Jr. Vice-Veterans of Foreign Wars, Stephen F.
Rutledge Post 864, Member American Legion Post 11,

WALK TOGETHER CHILDREN

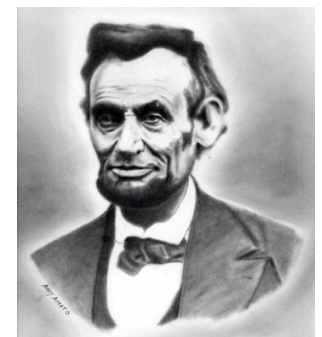
PALS Children's Chorus

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS

Bill McGroarty, Director-Department of
Veterans' Services

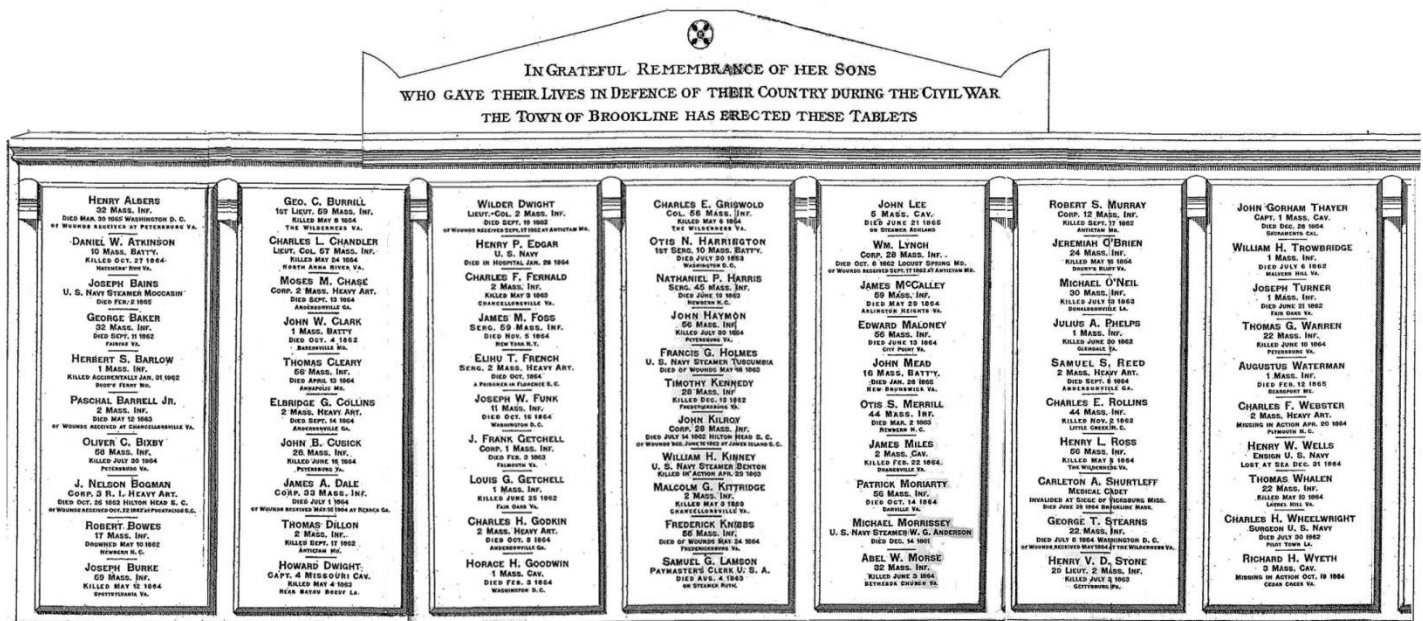
DEDICATION

Michael Shepard, Building Commissioner



"In a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract". President Abraham Lincoln

PROGRAM AT TOWN HALL and CIVIL WAR TABLETS REDEDECATION



READING OF CIVIL WAR HONOR ROLE

Betsy DeWitt, Chairman-Board of Selectmen

PLACING OF WREATH AT CIVIL WAR MARKER

Arthur Hurley, WWII Veteran, Silver Star Recipient
Member of Veterans of Foreign Wars-Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

MUSICAL SELECTION

Amanda Cavanaugh

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

Kristin DeFosse

AIN'T NO GRACE

PALS Children's Chorus

BENEDICTION

The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus,
First Parish Church, Brookline

FIRING SQUAD/HONOR GUARD TAPS AND ECHO

Composed of Members of the American Legion and
Veterans of Foreign Wars-Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864/ Brookline Police
Department/Brookline Fire Department/Brighton High School JROTC
and re-enactors

AMAZING GRACE

PALS Children's Chorus

The public is invited to Town Hall to view the newly restored Civil War plaques.

All participants are invited to a Collation at the American Legion/VFW Veterans Post immediately following the Memorial Day ceremony

"The hoarse and indistinguishable orders of commanding officers, the screaming and bursting of shells, canister and shrapnel as they tore through the struggling masses of humanity, the death screams of wounded animals, the groans of their human companions, wounded and dying and trampled underfoot by hurrying batteries, riderless horses and the moving lines of battle-a perfect Hell on earth, never, perhaps to be equaled, certainly not to be surpassed, nor ever to be forgotten in a man's lifetime. It has never been effaced from my memory, day or night, for fifty years".

Massachusetts private- Gettysburg

Thank you to Building Commissioner Michael Shepard and his staff for the incredible work they did getting our Civil War Tablets restored and displayed in a place of honor.

Thank you to our Board of Selectmen for their support of the Civil War Tablets restoration and their wisdom understanding when we honor our past Greatest Generations we inspire our future Greatest Generations.



"In giving freedom to the slave, we assure freedom to the free. Honorable alike in what we give and what we preserve. We shall nobly save, or meanly lose, the last, best hope of earth."

President Abraham Lincoln, message to Congress, 1862